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MEETING MINUTES¹

Meeting Date:	December 03, 2003
Meeting Time:	9 A.M.
Meeting Place:	State House, 200 W. Washington St., 401-B
Meeting City:	Indianapolis, Indiana
Meeting Number:	2

Members Present: Kevin Brinegar, Chairman; James Gutting; Jimmy Neal; Theresa Wright.

Members Absent: Cordelia Lewis-Burks.

I. Call to Order.

Mr. Kevin Brinegar, Chairman, called the second meeting of the Government Efficiency Commission Subcommittee on Medicaid and Human Services to order at 9:15 a.m.

Mr. Brinegar began the meeting discussing the day's agenda. Ms. Melanie Bella, Assistant Secretary, Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP), Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA), would continue a Medicaid overview begun at the previous meeting, and Mr. David Goodrich, President, Central Indiana Corporate Partnership, would discuss a project undertaken by his organization to provide a consultant report on Indiana's Medicaid program.

Mr. Brinegar reminded the Subcommittee that at the next meeting on December 17, 2003, at 1 p.m., Ms. Cheryl Sullivan, Secretary, FSSA, would discuss state human services programs. Also, Mr. Brinegar indicated that the Subcommittee would continue meeting in

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the new year and would provide an opportunity for public comment.

II. Medicaid Overview

Ms. Bella was asked to present the second part of a two-part overview of Medicaid. Ms. Bella used an electronic presentation (Exhibit A) to provide information concerning:

1. FSSA and OMPP organizational structure.
2. Top cost drivers of Medicaid.
3. Long-term and nursing home care.
4. Home- and community-based waivers.
5. Hoosier Rx program.
6. Long-term care insurance program. (Exhibit B)
7. The Medicaid budget.
8. Options for controlling costs. (Exhibit C)

Discussion during the presentation led to additional information concerning the differences between Medicaid and Medicare, why all nursing homes do not accept Medicaid, and the objectives of federally authorized waivers to the Medicaid program. Also, the Subcommittee learned about local Area Agencies on Aging that provide the entry point for many federal- and state-funded programs, and cost-shifting to private sector. Participating in the discussion from the audience were Mr. Stephen L. Albrecht, Director, Legislative and Economic Affairs, Indiana Health Care Association; Ms. Melissa Durr, Executive Director, Indiana Association of Area Agencies on Aging; and Ms. Cris Fulford, Executive Director, Council of Volunteers and Organizations for Hoosiers With Disabilities, Inc.

III. Central Indiana Corporate Partnership Project.

The Chair called on Mr. Goodrich to discuss the consulting project Central Indiana Corporate Partnership (CICP) is undertaking. Mr. Goodrich described his organization and the selection of the Lewin Group as consultant. Mr. Goodrich read a portion of the request for proposal to provide information on the objectives of the project including:

1. Identifying current cost containment measures.
2. Estimating the savings earned from these measures.
3. Analysis of reforms not yet implemented.
4. An inventory of effective cost-containment measures from up to 10 other states.
5. A model of the effect of these other states' programs in Indiana.
6. Analysis of Indiana programs against other states.

Mr. Brinegar requested that Mr. Goodrich provide the Subcommittee a copy of the objectives with any sensitive or proprietary information removed.

IV. Adjournment.

The Chairman thanked Ms. Bella, Mr. Goodrich, and the Subcommittee members and adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m.